

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON THE USE OF ATVS AND SNOWMOBILES ON
ROADS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Department of Public Safety proposes to change regulations allowing ATVs and snowmobiles on roadways with limits of 45 mph or less. The term “all-purpose vehicle” will be defined.

The Department of Public Safety proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 13 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the use of ATVs and snowmobiles on roads with limits of 45 mph or less, including the following:

- (1) 13 AAC 02.325 is proposed to be amended by adding a new subsection to allow a snowmobile or all-purpose vehicle on roads with maximum speed of 45 mph or less.
- (2) 13 AAC 02.455 is proposed to be amended by removing “snowmobile” to remove the prohibition of use on roadways.
- (3) 13 AAC 02.482 is proposed to be amended by adding a new subsection to allow municipalities to prohibit snowmobiles or all-purpose vehicles from using roadways.
- (4) 13 AAC 04.400 is proposed to be amended by adding the term “all-purpose vehicle”.
- (5) 13 AAC 04.010 proposed to be amended by defining “all-purpose vehicle”.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Alaska Wildlife Troopers Director’s Office at 5700 E. Tudor Rd, Anchorage, AK 99507. Additionally, the Department of Public Safety will accept comments by facsimile at 907-269-5616 and by electronic mail at dps.awt.directors.office@alaska.gov. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System at aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/default.aspx. After accessing this notice on the system, use the “Leave a Comment” link near the bottom. The comments must be received not later than 4:30 p.m. AST on April 18, 2021.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to AWT Director’s Office at 5700 E. Tudor Rd, Anchorage, AK 99507 or by e-mail at dps.awt.directors.office@alaska.gov. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Department of Public Safety will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact AWT Director’s Office at dps.awt.directors.office@alaska.gov or 907-269-5509 not later than April 4, 2021, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be

provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and by contacting AWT Director's Office at dps.awt.directors.office@alaska.gov or 907-269-5509.

After the public comment period ends, the Department of Public Safety will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected. Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

Statutory authority: AS 28.05.011

Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific: AS 28.05.011; AS 28.90.0

Fiscal information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

The Department of Public Safety keeps a list of individuals and organizations interested in its regulations. Those on the list will automatically be sent a copy of all the Department of Public Safety notices of proposed regulation changes. To be added to or removed from the list, send a request to the Department of Public Safety Attn: Robyn Ramos at P.O. Box 111200, Juneau, AK 99811-1200 or robyn.ramos@alaska.gov, giving your name, and either your e-mail address or mailing address, as you prefer for receiving notices.

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